

This final rule has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

The Chief Counsel for Regulation of the Department of Commerce certified to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration when this rule was proposed that it would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. No comments were received regarding this certification. As a result, a regulatory flexibility analysis was not prepared.

The President has directed Federal agencies to use plain language in their communications with the public, including regulations. To comply with this directive, we seek public comment on any ambiguity or unnecessary complexity arising from the language used in this final rule. Comments should be sent to the Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive N., St. Petersburg, FL 33702.

List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 622

Fisheries, Fishing, Puerto Rico, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Virgin Islands.

Dated: June 27, 2000.

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Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 622 is amended as follows:

PART 622—FISHERIES OF THE CARIBBEAN, GULF, AND SOUTH ATLANTIC

1. The authority citation for part 622 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

2. In § 622.4, paragraph (m) introductory text is revised to read as follows:

§ 622.4 Permits and fees.

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(m) *Moratorium on commercial vessel permits for Gulf reef fish.* The provisions of this paragraph (m) are applicable through December 31, 2005.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

[Docket No. 000119014-0137-02; I.D. No. 112399C]

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Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; 2000 Specifications; Correction

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: This document contains corrections to the **DATES** section of the 2000 specifications that was published on May 24, 2000.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In the final rule implementing the 2000 annual specifications for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass, the regulations were inadvertently made effective for the same time frame as the quotas (i.e., for the calendar year). The regulations were meant to remain effective until revised. This correction clarifies that the regulations are final, not temporary, regulations.

Correction

In FR Doc. 00-12993, published in the **Federal Register** issue of May 24, 2000, on page 33486, in column 2, correct the **DATES** caption to read as follows:

DATES: Effective 0001 hours, May 24, 2000, except that the quotas identified in the preamble are effective 0001 hours, May 24, 2000, through 2400 hours, December 31, 2000.

Classification

This action is required by 50 CFR part 648 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

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